Allotment of land to the displaced families from Chhamb Niabat area who were displaced during 1971 Indo-Pak conflict

1033. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:
SHRI ATAL BIHARI VAJPAYEE:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that in Jammu & Kashmir about 700 families displaced from the Chhamb Niabat area during the 1971 Indo-Pak conflict, have not so far been allotted their quota of land even after the lapse of eighteen years; and

(b) what efforts the Central Government have made so far to get the full quota of land allotted to these displaced families and with what results?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SANTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) Rehabilitation assistance has been provided to all displaced persons in accordance with the prescribed scales, excepting in the case of 696 families displaced from Chhamb Niabat area during 1971 Indo-Pak Conflict. These families could not be allotted their full quota of land, despite regular effort and pursuit, for reasons of non-availability of land in J&K.

Village adoption scheme by State Bank of Indore

1034. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of villages adopted under "Village Adoption Scheme" by the State Bank of Indore; and

(b) the total amount spent State-wise during the period from 1987 to 30th June, 1989, for the implementation of this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House to the extent possible.

Detention of S/Shri Abdulla Ghani and Ratanlal Didwana under COFEPOSA

1035. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item published in the Indian Express of 20th May, 1989 stating that although Bombay's Air Customs Pool had detained Abdulla Ghani after full investigations about his gold smuggling activities and also had frozen his account amounting to about Rs. 90 lakhs in banks in Cochin etc. yet the orders under COFEPOSA were revoked under orders from the top; if so, what are the details thereof;

(b) whether a Chief Minister had inaugurated his hospital in Cochin some time back;

(c) whether it is also a fact that Enforcement Directorate had passed similar orders under COFEPOSA against one Ratanlal Didwana after investigating his misutilisation of foreign funds, misuse of license and selling of steel in black market, but in that case also, under orders from top, the orders were revoked within a week; and

(d) if the answer to parts (a) and (c) above be in the affirmative what are the details in this regard and

what follow-up action has been taken in the above two cases?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) to (d) Detention orders under the COFEPOSA Act, 1974 were passed against S/Shri Abdulla Gani and Rattan Lal Didwania as referred to in the newspaper report of Indian Express dated 20th May, 1989. However, the case of Shri Abdulla Gani was subsequently reviewed by the Central Government in the light of a representation filed on his behalf. Having regard to the fact that the evidence against Shri Abdulla Gani was mainly circumstantial, the detention order was revoked. The newspaper report indicates that the Hospital in Cochin was inaugurated by the J&K Chief Minister, Dr. Farook Abdulla.

The detention order passed against Shri Ratan Lal Didwania has not been revoked, and the same is pending execution. Shri Ratan Lal Didwania has been declared as a proclaimed absconder under section 7 of the COFEPOSA Act, 1974. Departmental proceedings are in progress in both the cases.

Financial irregularities committed by the Police Commissioner, Delhi

1036. SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Police Commissioner, Delhi failed to avail of the discount of Rs. 32,000 offered by a contractor for supply of cars for security purposes etc., because of the delay in clearing the bills;

(b) whether he also lost a sum of Rs. 2,54,000 from a contractor for breach of contract, because no legal notice was served on him;

(c) whether it is also a fact that he also incurred an extra expenditure of Rs. 1,57,000 due to acceptance of higher rates of another contractor for supply of cars; and

(d) if the answer to part (a), (b) and (c) be in the affirmative, what are the details in this regard and the action taken by Government in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (d) The Comptroller and Auditor General of India has made certain adverse observations upon the Delhi Police on hiring of vehicles. The matter is under examination.

Smuggled goods seized at Delhi, Bombay and Madras airports

1037. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) total value of smuggled goods seized at Delhi, Bombay and Madras airports during the period from January 1987 till March 1989;

(b) the number of persons apprehended in this connection and the details of punishment given; and

(c) the number of employees of Indian Airlines and Air India found involved in these crimes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI AJIT PANJA): (a) The total value of contraband goods seized by the Customs authorities at Delhi, Bombay and Madras Airports during